

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 964 – HB 1166

March 19, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes a municipality or county to spend public funds to assist in cleaning up debris and fallen trees resulting from a natural disaster on private residential property, rather than private residential property qualifying for property tax relief under Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-5-702 through § 67-5-704, if a request is made by the owner of the property for such assistance.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$200/Permissive

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005193): Adds language to the original bill requiring a municipality or county, by ordinance or resolution, to adopt a plan for providing assistance to private residential property after a natural disaster. Authorizes such plans to specifically authorize the county highway department to perform work, if the adopted plan provides for the reimbursement of the costs incurred by the county highway department.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Expanding the number of properties eligible for natural disaster cleanup assistance may lead to an increase in local expenditures to assist property owners in requested cleanup; however, any increase is permissive.
- At least one additional property will receive assistance each year.
- It is estimated a permissive local increase in expenditures will exceed \$200 on average each time a municipality or county elects to use public funds to fulfill a property owner request and assist in cleaning the owner's property after a natural disaster.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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